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- The following is the text of a decree issued by the Soviet Zone Railroads on the storage of demountable boxcar equipment needed for troop movements. The decree was accompanied by a breakdown of equipment to be stored. \*

"German Railroads Berlin-W 8, 25 April 1950  
Directorate General 35 Vosstr.

TO: Railroad District Administrations:  
Cottbus, Dresden, Erfurt, Greifswald,  
Halle, Magdeburg, and Schwerin.

SUBJECT: Order No 33

A new breakdown of demountable military equipment to be installed in boxcars and to be kept in stock in the individual railroad districts supersedes Order GdnR 92 Nv 16, dated 20 March 1950.

The new breakdown was ordered by the Soviet Control Commission. According to this order each railroad district administration has to accumulate the quantities of demountable military boxcar equipment as laid down in the attached list.

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The prescribed equipment has to be stored as quickly as possible since these stores were originally to be available by 1 April.

The Transportation Division of the Soviet Control Commission also points out that the stocks of this equipment must be kept at the prescribed level at all times.

The required stove pipes, elbows and metal sheets will be delivered by the Demob-depot in Berlin-Lichtenberg. The individual railroad districts will be supplied with these items from there.

Attempts will be made to have the funnel caps made of waste sheet metal. Loading bridges of the older design are also to be included in the required stock reports to be sent in every two weeks.

Signed: Haas ". \*\*

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Comment. Military equipment, such as benches, bunks, rifle racks, and heating facilities, is needed for a speedy conversion of boxcars for troop movement purposes. This equipment is stored at the major marshaling stations of the various railroad districts. It is installed on request and dismantled and restored at the conclusion of particular troop movements. The

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25X1 quantities mentioned [ ] are  
adequate for the equipment of about 7,000  
boxcars. This corresponds to the number  
of cars which have to be available for the  
25X1 soviet control commission as a freight car  
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